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~~24. (Amended) A method according to claim 16, wherein the weight ratio of hardener to resin is 1:3.5-1:2.~~

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~~26. (Amended) A method according to claim 16, wherein the hardener is either free from filler or comprises a filler in an amount of less than 10% by weight.~~

Add the following new claims:

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~~31. (New) A method according to claim 16, wherein the hardener is free from filler.~~

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~~32. (New) A method according to claim 16, wherein the hardener comprises a filler in an amount greater than zero and less than 20% by weight.~~

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~~33. (New) A hardener composition for use in a method of separate application of resin and hardener components of an amino resin gluing system onto a substrate, wherein the hardener is either free from filler or comprises a filler in an amount of less than 20% by weight and further comprises a thickener and a volatile acid, wherein the components of the gluing system are applied in the form of strands or by means of spraying, or any combination thereof, in optional order of application.~~

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~~34. (New) Hardener composition according to claim 33, wherein it comprises volatile acid in an amount of 10-30% by weight.~~

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~~35. (New) Hardener composition according to claim 33, wherein the volatile acid is formic acid, acetic acid, or pyrovic acid.~~